

I fully support the ARRL comment submitted regarding Docket ET 30-104. If Broadband over Power Line (BPL) is implemented, it will render useless the spectrum currently occupied by duly licensed services that depend on weak signal communications. All licensed services will be irreparably harmed and affected. This is in direct conflict of the FCC's mandate to regulate the natural resource of our electromagnetic spectrum. Implementation of BPL is in direct conflict with the public interest, and certainly not in our national defense interest. Many first-line defenders in the War on Terrorism, such as fire, police, public safety, and emergency amateur communications, depend on the spectrum that will be affected by BPL. The recent power outage in the northeastern U.S. brings home this point: if BPL is implemented, there will be no other users in this spectrum to provide emergency communications to effected areas, as VHF/UHF repeaters and the cellular telephone system would be off-line as they were in New York, Cleveland, Detroit, and Toledo.

Broadband over Power Line has but one purpose: to provide additional income to power service providers. I suggest with more income, power service companies might donate and fund the political aspirations of current Federal government employees in exchange for "friendly" rules and legislation. The recent comments and behaviour of the current FCC Chairman regarding BPL technology begs the question that perhaps he has a conflict of interest with this issue.